(b) and (c) 97 towns of Madhya Pradesh have been covered so far and central assistance amounting to Rs. 3868.73 lakhs has been released against which an expenditure of Rs. 3451.63 lakhs has been reported by the State Government.

The proposal for revision of existing Guidelines, 1995 of the IDSMT Scheme is under active consideration.

Allotment of office accommodation to service Associations

867. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any guidelines have been issued permitting allotment of office accommodation to recognised Service Associations;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any licence fee, etc. if to be charged or accomodation is allotted rent-free; and

(d) the basis and method of calculation of licence fee, if any, in such cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKRISHNAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Under these guidelines, office accommodation may be allotted to recognized associations/unions of the Central Government employees, established to take up cases of such employees from the point of employer/employee relationship.

(c) and (d) Under Fundamental Rule 45-A, licence fee is chargeable to the recognized service Associations which are provided office accommodation. The licence fee is calculated on the basis of the cost of construction and living area of the accommodation.